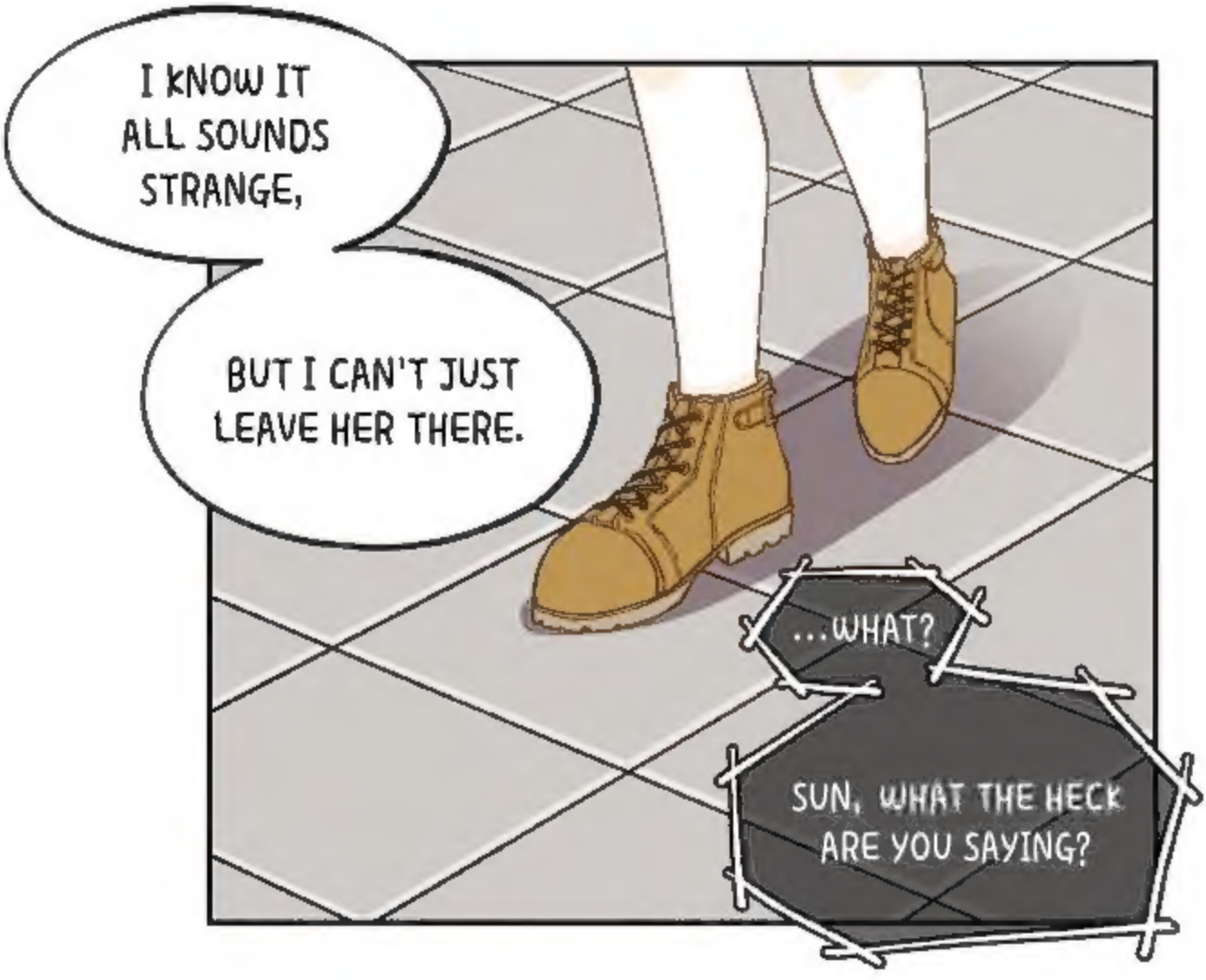
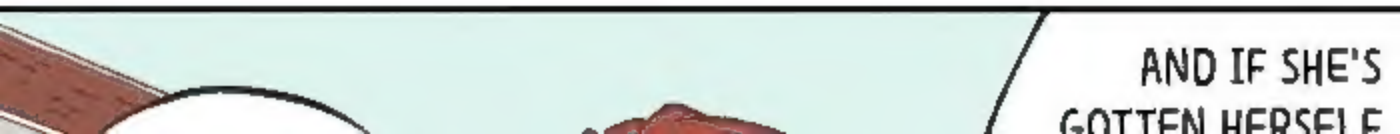
ARE YOU...
...OUT OF YOUR MIND?

WHAT DID I TELL YOU? I KNEW SHE WAS IN A CULT!

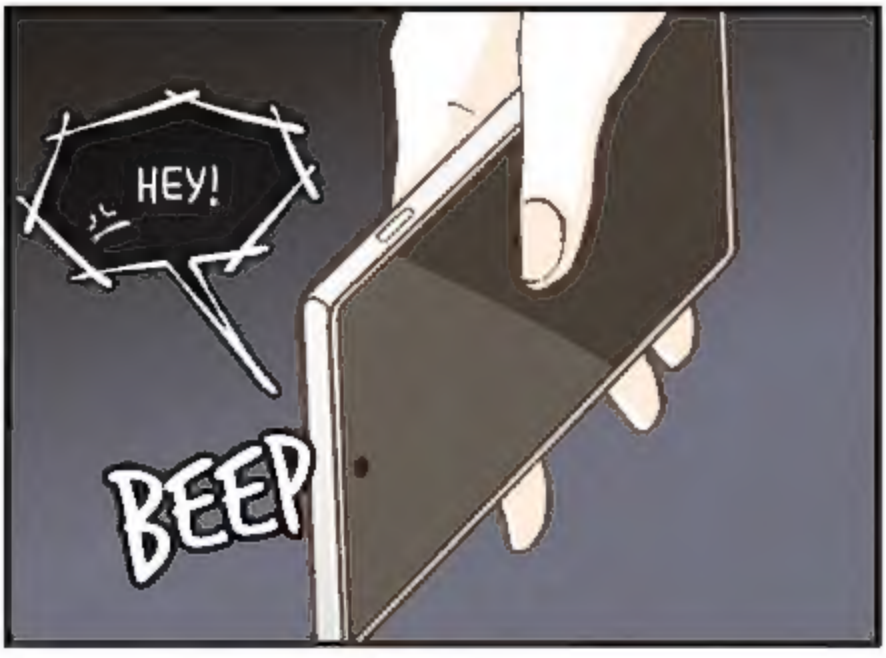
COME ON...
YOONYOUNG...
THAT "CHEONRYONG" OR WHATEVER SOUNDS SUPER SHADY! AND SHE HANGS AROUND PEOPLE WHO ARE ALWAYS IN TRADITIONAL GARB?
AND NOW SHE'S INVITING YOU TO SOME RANDOM PARTY?
TRYING TO DRAG YOU INTO THIS CULT, MORE LIKE!
SHE'S FINALLY SHOWING HER TRUE COLORS.
UM...


I KNOW IT ALL SOUNDS STRANGE,
BUT I CAN'T JUST LEAVE HER THERE.
...WHAT?
SUN, WHAT THE HECK ARE YOU SAYING?


AND IF SHE'S

YEONGNO IS A GOOD FRIEND.
INTO SOME WEIRD CULT, IT'S MY DUTY AS A FRIEND TO GET HER OUT.
BUT YOU BARELY KNOW HER...

...
BUT IF YOU DON'T HEAR FROM ME FOR A WHILE, CALL THE COPS, OKAY?
WHAT?


HEY!
BEEP

LET'S
DO THIS!

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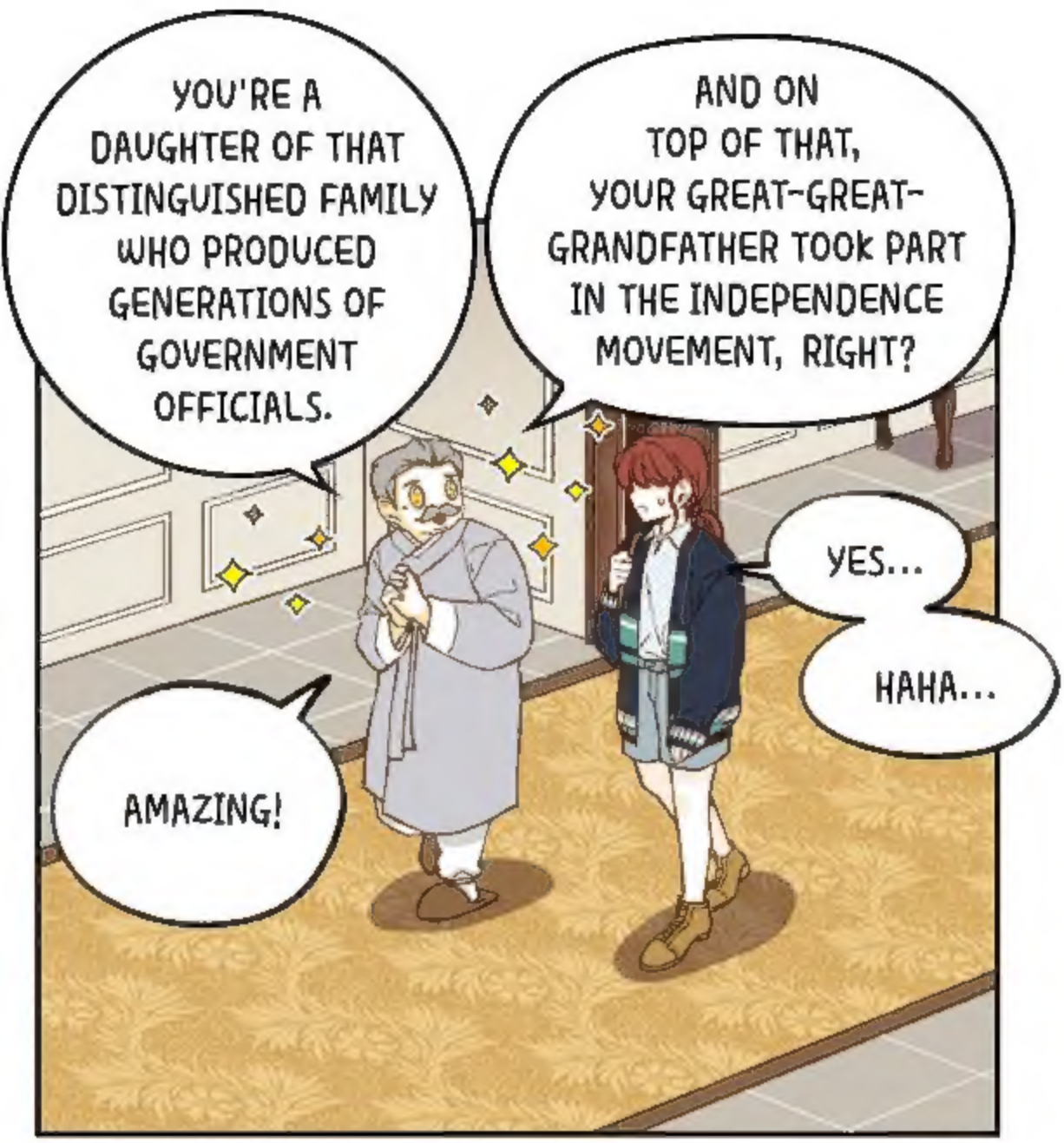
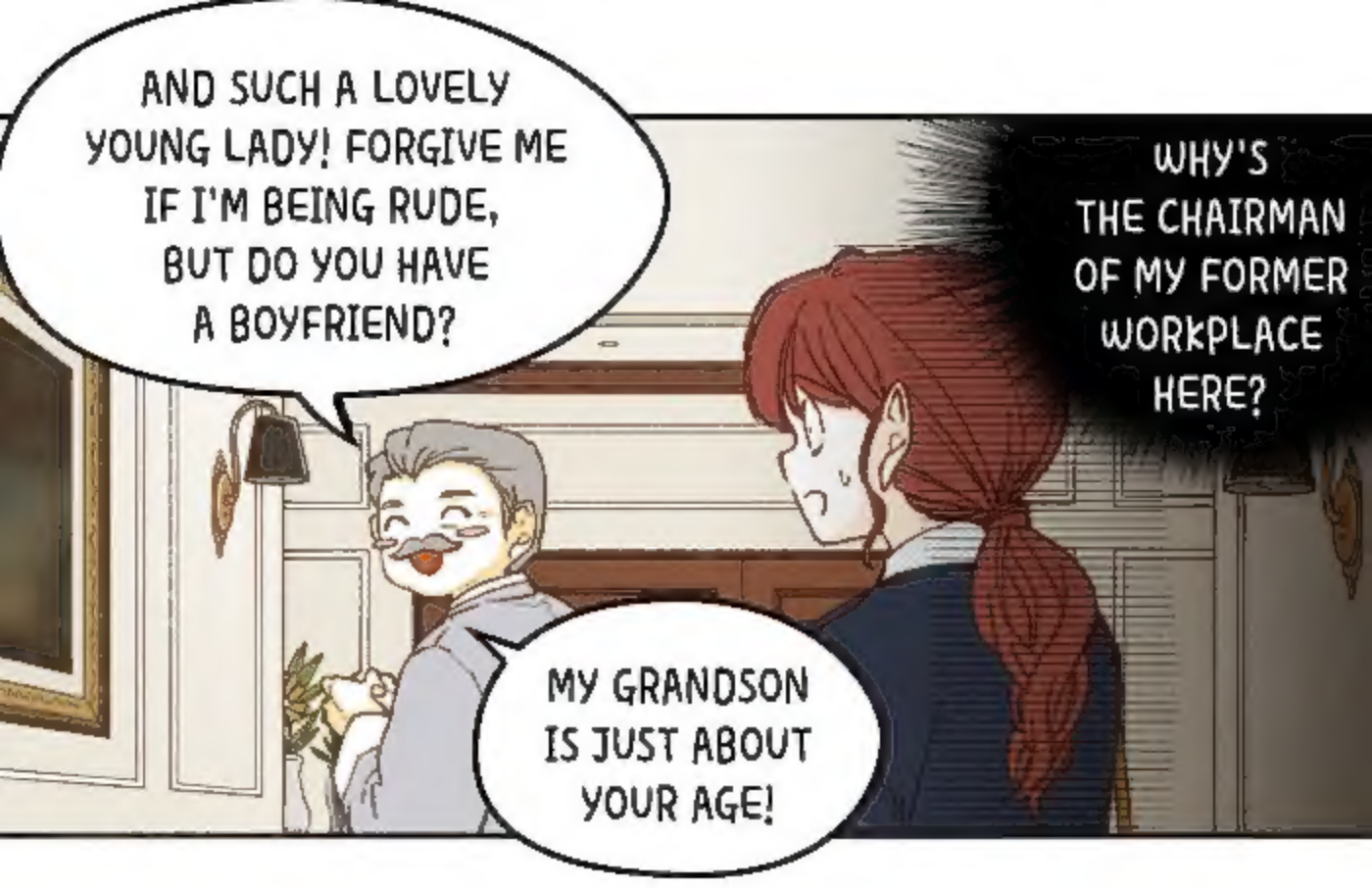
WELCOME, MS. JEONG!
I'VE HEARD A LOT ABOUT YOU!

HUH?
YOU HAVE?

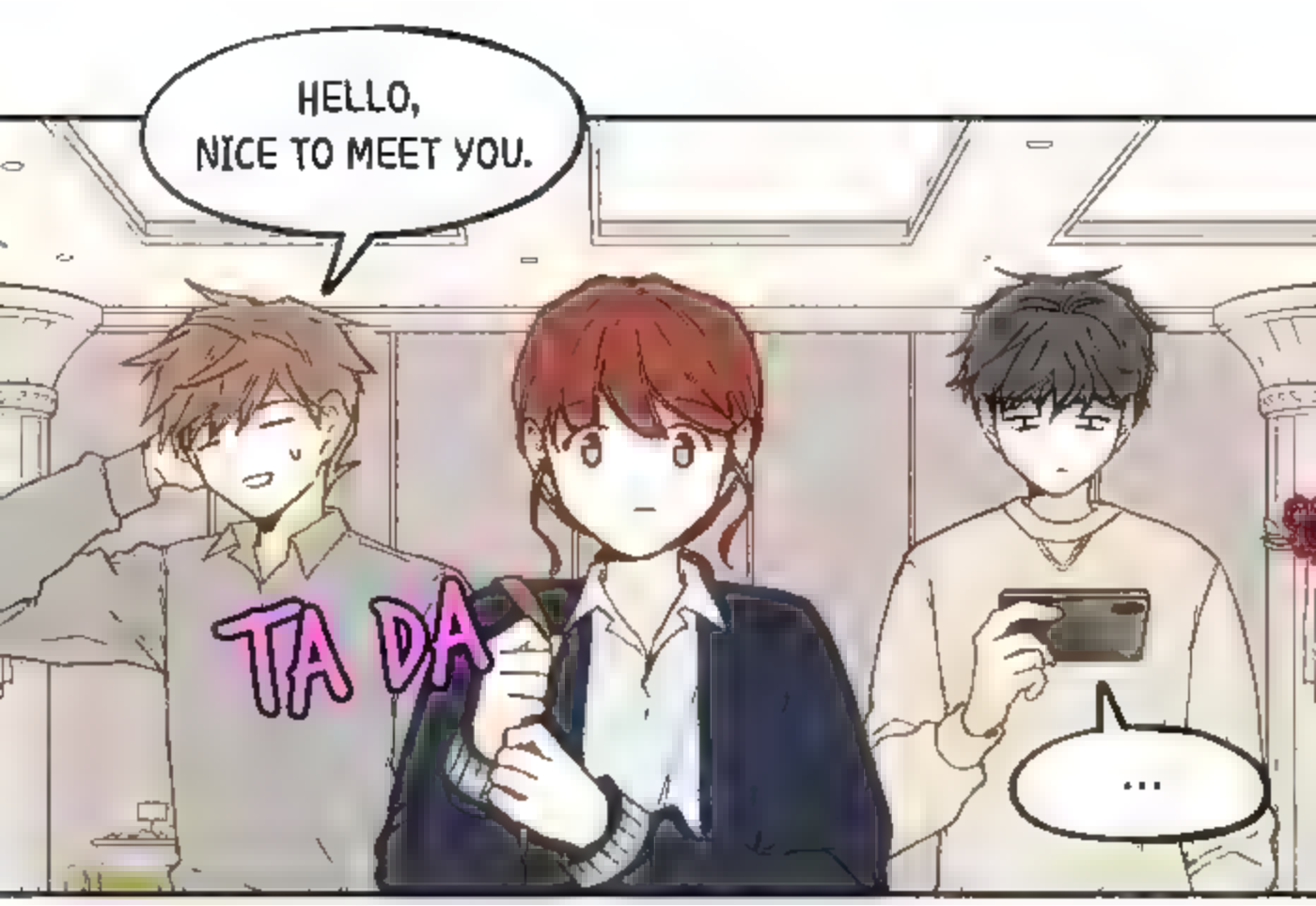

YOU'RE A DAUGHTER OF THAT DISTINGUISHED FAMILY WHO PRODUCED GENERATIONS OF GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS.
AND ON TOP OF THAT, YOUR GREAT-GREAT-GRANDFATHER TOOK PART IN THE INDEPENDENCE MOVEMENT, RIGHT?
AMAZING!
YES...
HAHA...

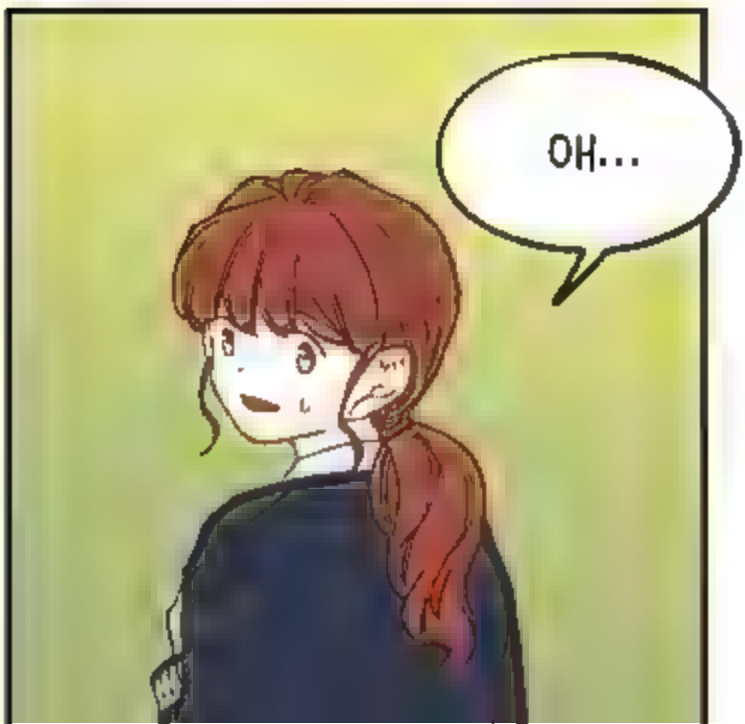

AND SUCH A LOVELY YOUNG LADY! FORGIVE ME IF I'M BEING RUDE, BUT DO YOU HAVE A BOYFRIEND?
WHY'S THE CHAIRMAN OF MY FORMER WORKPLACE HERE?
MY GRANDSON IS JUST ABOUT YOUR AGE!

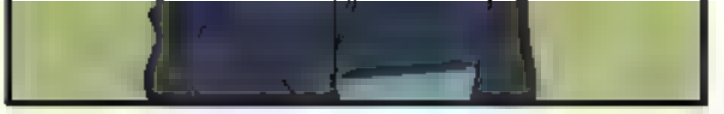
LORD YEO-- I MEAN, YOUR FRIEND YEONGNO IS TALKING TO HER FRIENDS RIGHT NOW.

THREE SHOULD START DINING FIRST!

HUH?
THREE?


HELLO,
NICE TO MEET YOU.
TA DA
...

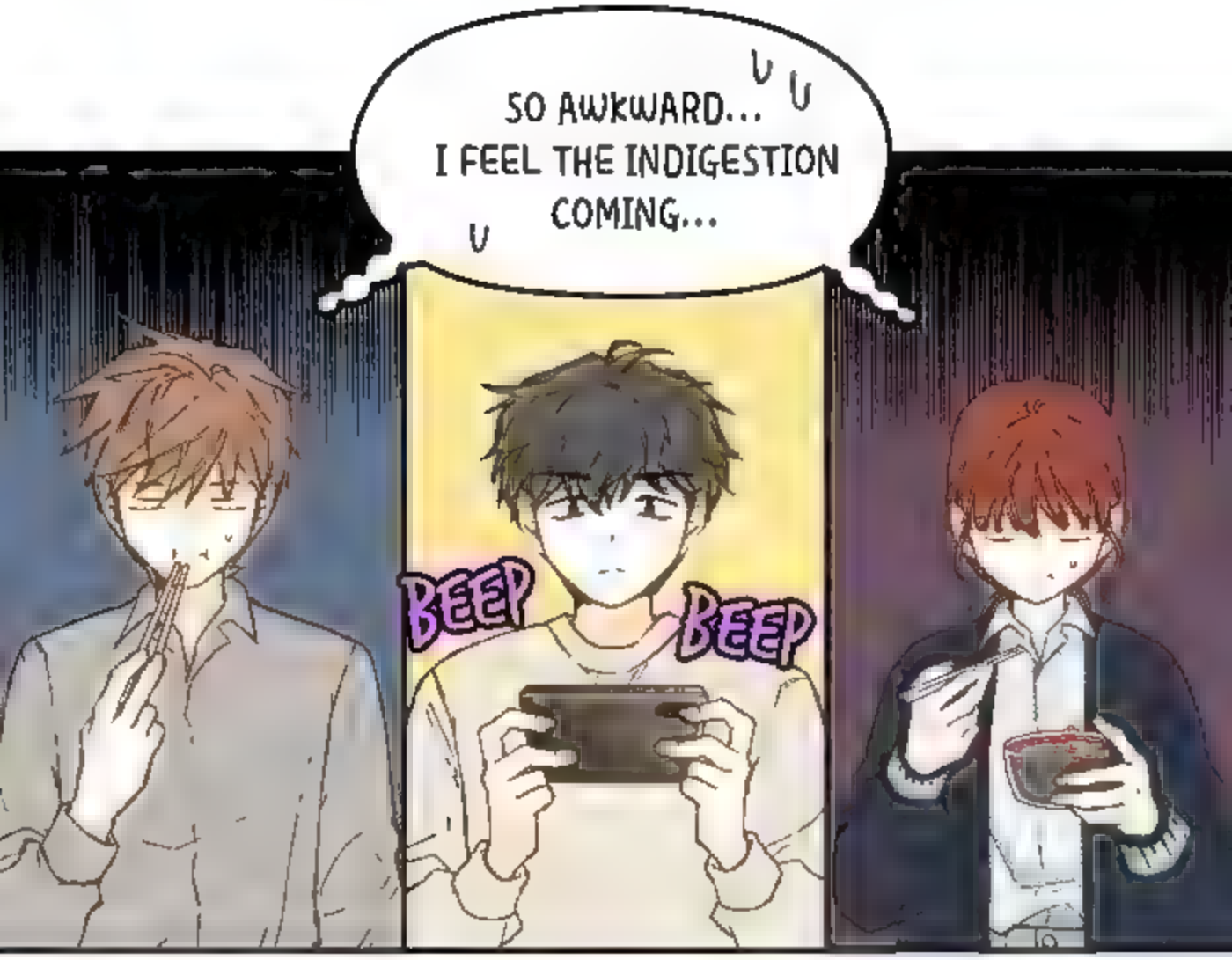

OH...



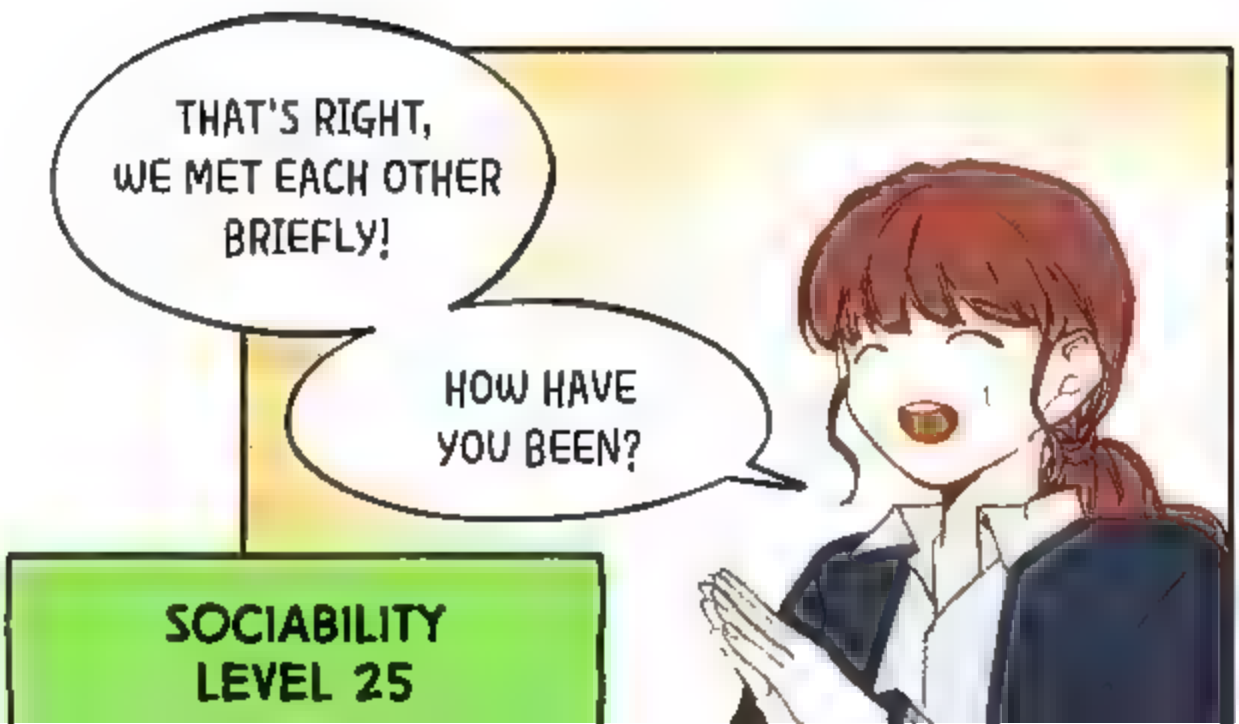
HELLO.

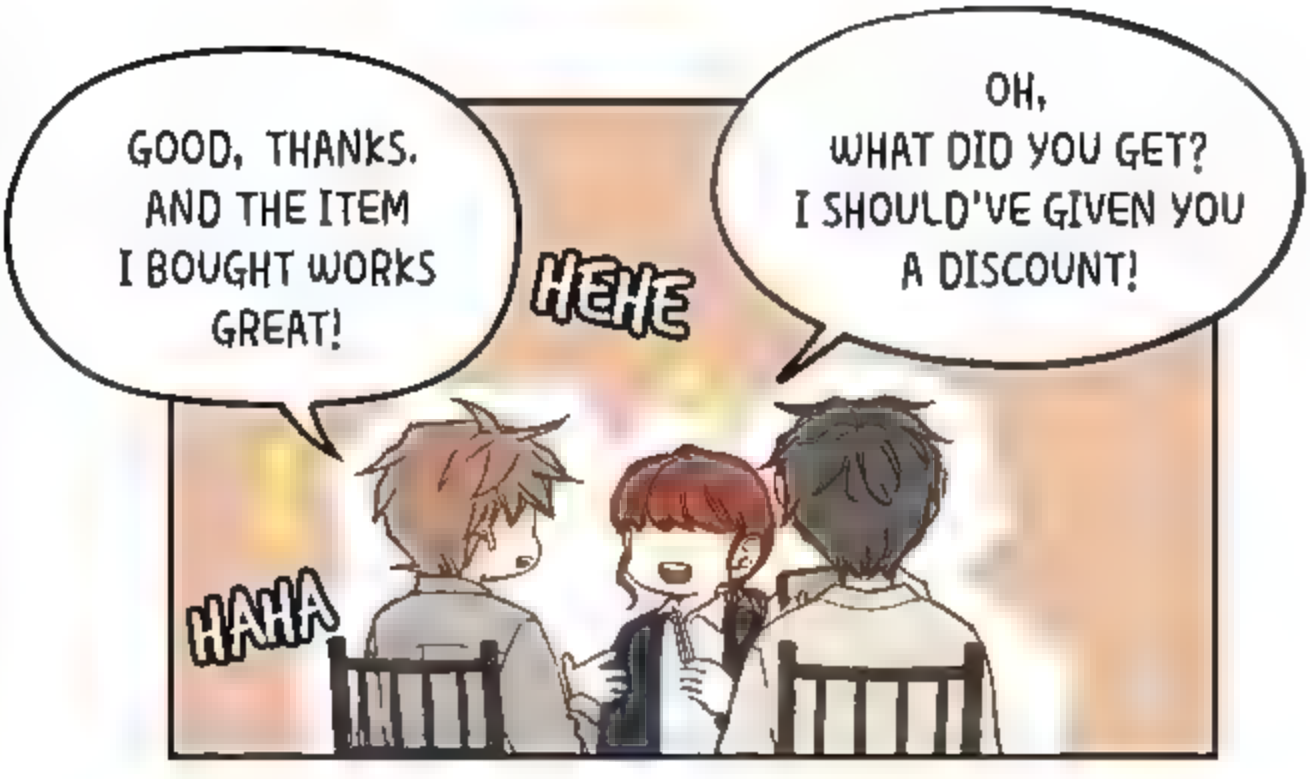
...
...

AWKWARD
...

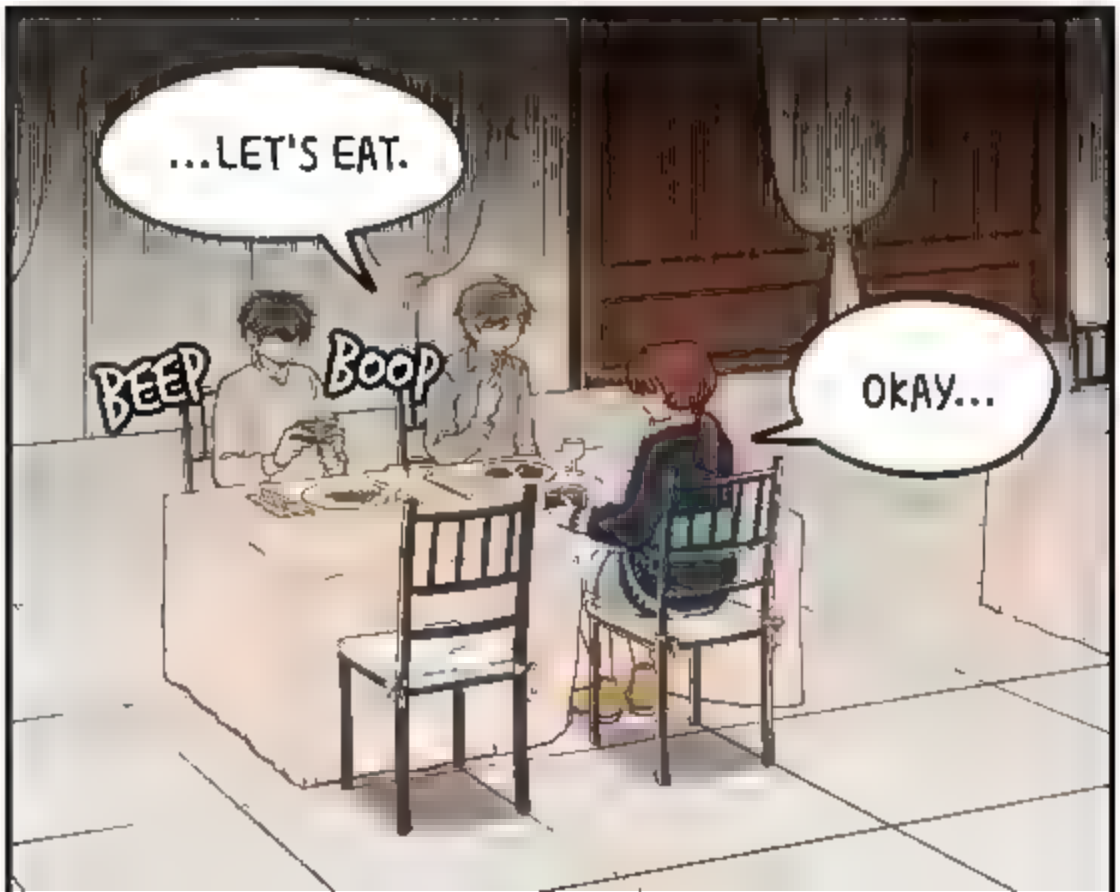

SO AWKWARD...
I FEEL THE INDIGESTION COMING...
BEEP
BEEP

UM...
WE'VE MET BEFORE AT THE COSMETICS STORE, RIGHT?
SOCIABILITY LEVEL 28


THAT'S RIGHT, WE MET EACH OTHER BRIEFLY!
HOW HAVE YOU BEEN?
SOCIABILITY LEVEL 25

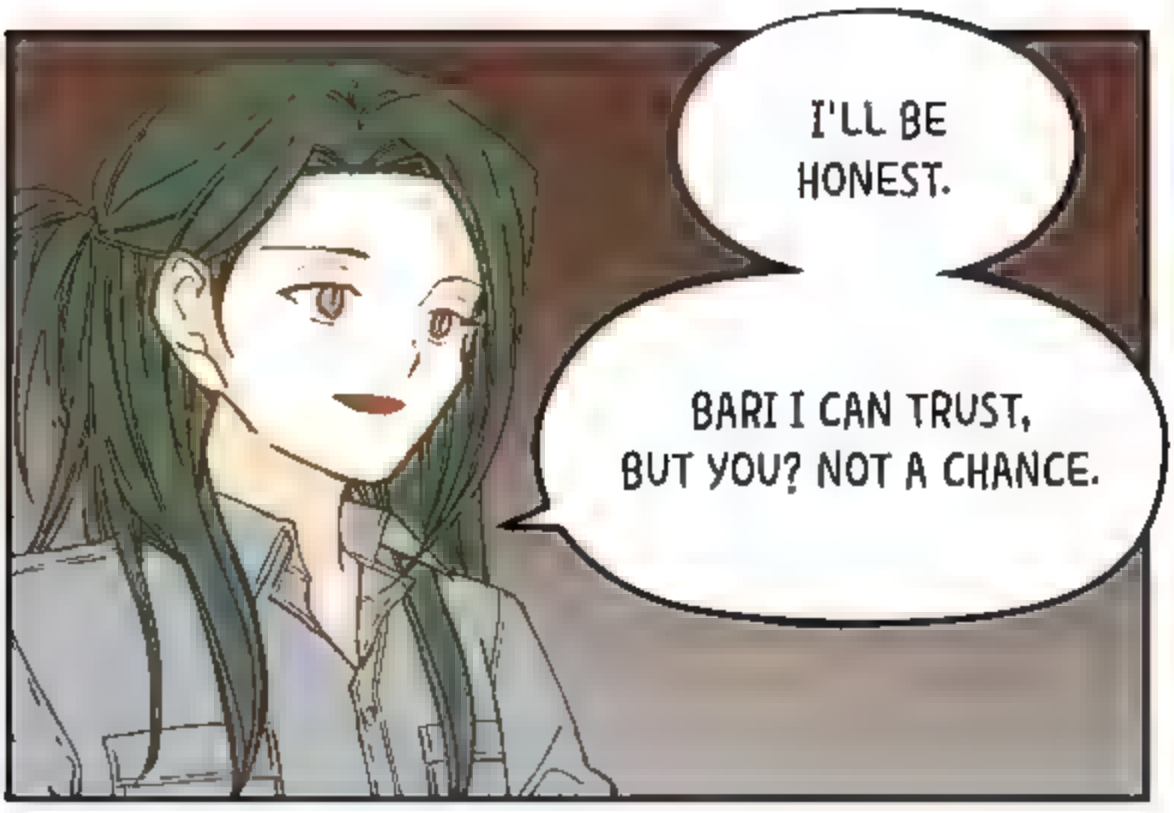

GOOD, THANKS.
AND THE ITEM
I BOUGHT WORKS
GREAT!
HEHE
OH,
WHAT DID YOU GET?
I SHOULD'VE GIVEN YOU
A DISCOUNT!
HAHA

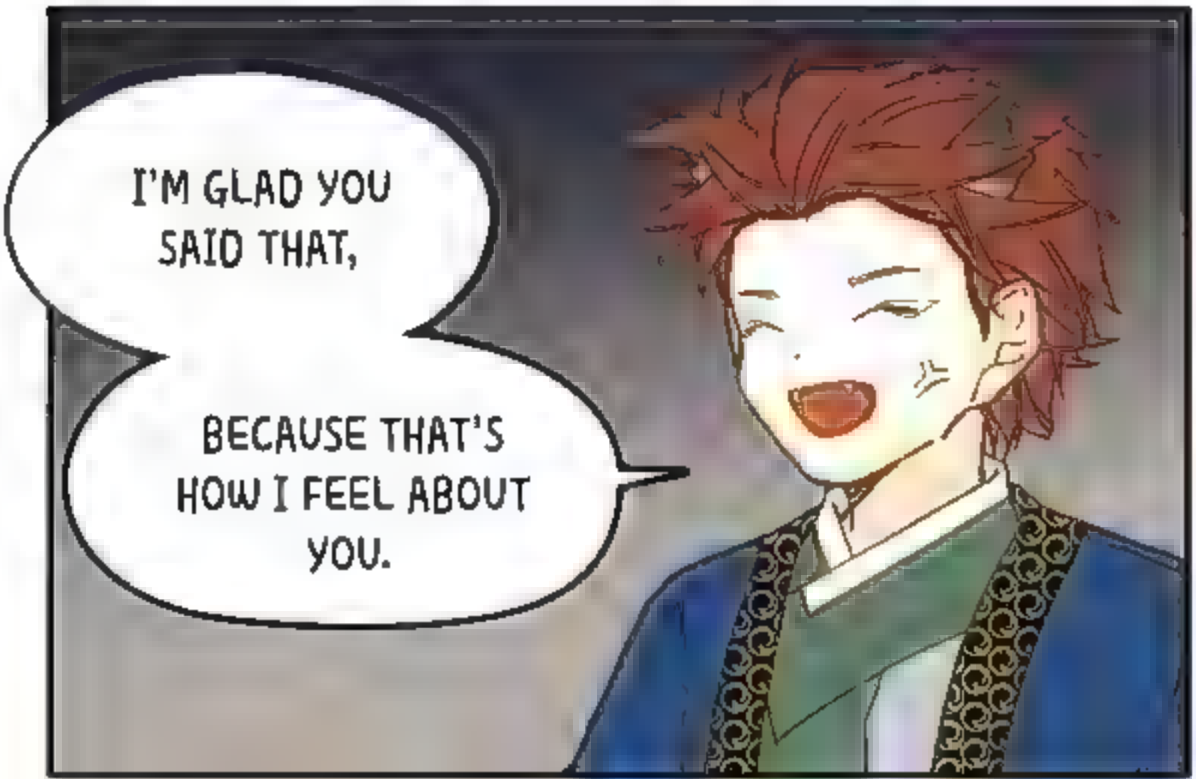
CAN'T WE JUST EAT QUIETLY?
IT'S NOT LIKE YOU GUYS HAVE ANYTHING TO REALLY TALK ABOUT, SO CUT THE CHIT-CHAT.
SOCIABILITY LEVEL 5


...LET'S EAT.
BEEP
BOOP
OKAY...

SO MIRI,
YOU'RE SAYING THAT YOU WANT TO FORM AN ALLIANCE, RIGHT?

THAT ACTUALLY DOESN'T SOUND TOO BAD.
I'M IN!
WHAT ABOUT YOU, YEONGNO?

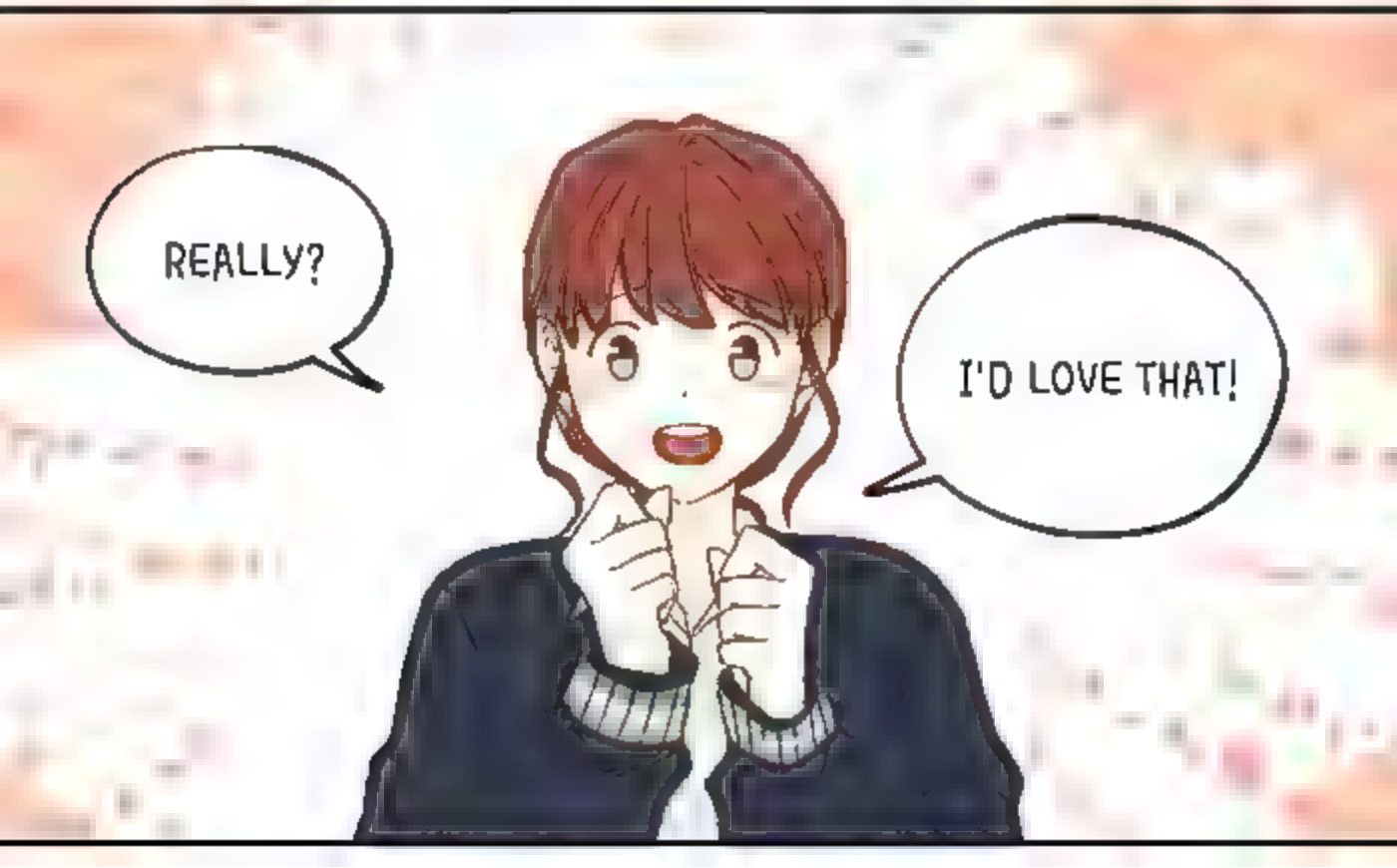

I'LL BE HONEST.
BARI I CAN TRUST, BUT YOU? NOT A CHANCE.


I'M GLAD YOU SAID THAT,
BECAUSE THAT'S HOW I FEEL ABOUT YOU.

WE CAN'T JUST VERBALLY PROMISE EACH OTHER TO UPHOLD THE ALLIANCE, THAT'S TOO UNRELIABLE.
WE NEED TO SET OUR OATH IN STONE SOMEHOW.

BUT HOW?
DO YOU WANT US TO SIGN A CONTRACT OR SOMETHING?

NO, WE NEED SOMETHING MORE POWERFUL THAN A FEW SCRIBBLES ON A PIECE OF PAPER.
SO WHAT IS THAT SOMETHING?
I'M TALKING ABOUT ONE OF THE SUREST CONTRACTS THAT HUMANS ABIDE BY.
MARRIAGE!


REALLY?
I'D LOVE THAT!

GREAT!

THEN I'LL HAVE YOUR FRIEND PASS IT ON TO YOU!

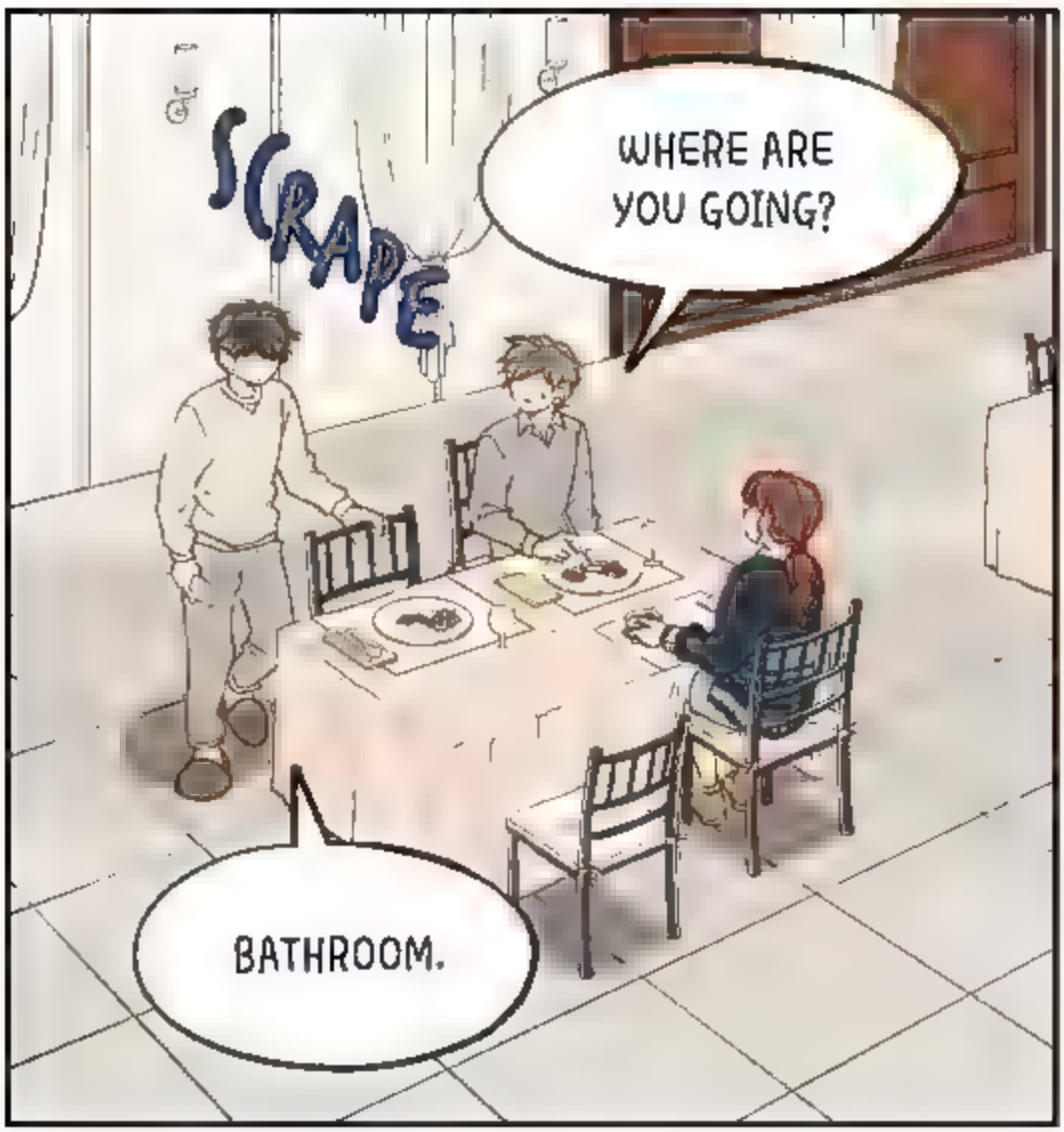
SO WHEN DID YOU APPLY? WE MIGHT HAVE TAKEN THE SAME EXAM!

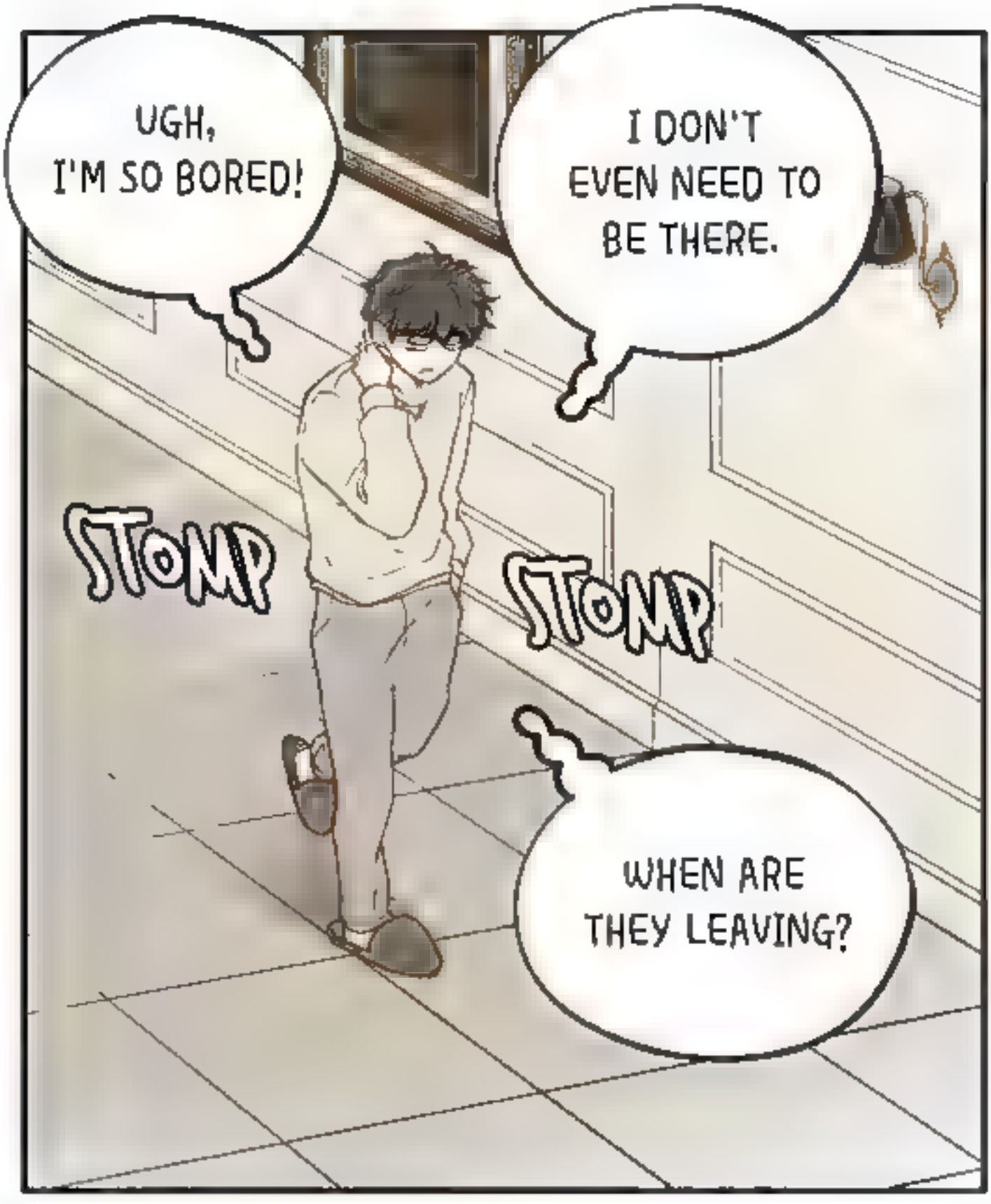
OH, I TOOK THE CIVIL SERVICE EXAM.
I TRIED FOR A YEAR BUT IT DIDN'T WORK OUT, SO I JUST WENT STRAIGHT FOR PRIVATE ENTERPRISES.
OH, I SEE.
I CAN'T SEEM TO BRING MYSELF TO QUIT JUST YET...

THEY SAY GIVING UP TAKES COURAGE OF ITS OWN,
AND I GOTTA SAY I AGREE.
I'M BEING AN IDIOT FOR NOT LETTING GO...

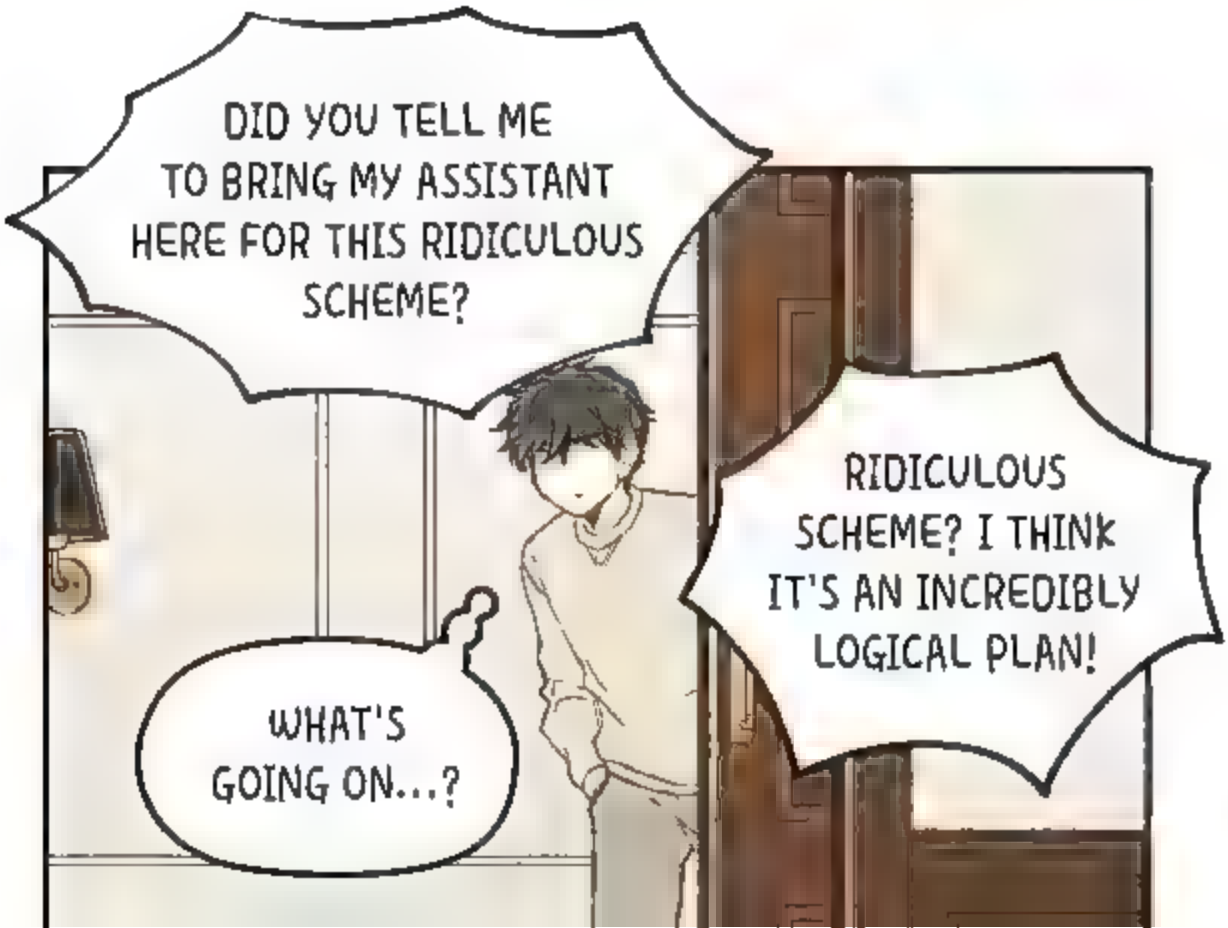
IT'S HARDER TO NOT GIVE UP!
I'M SURE YOU'LL MAKE IT!

THANKS, SUN.
I HOPE YOU GET
THE JOB THIS TIME!
SIGH...
THANK YOU!

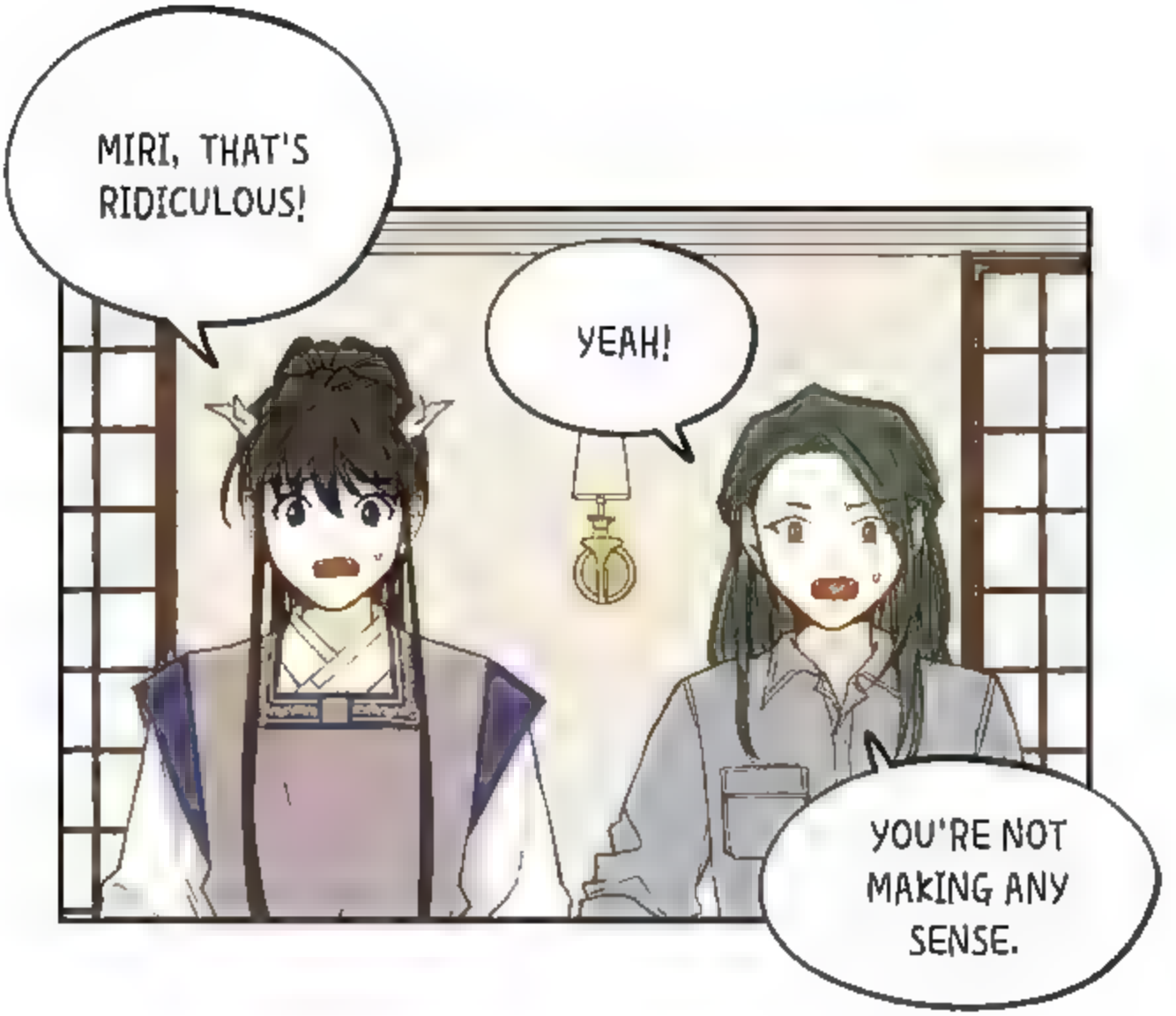

SCRAPE
WHERE ARE YOU GOING?
BATHROOM.


UGH,
I'M SO BORED!
I DON'T
EVEN NEED TO
BE THERE.
STOMP
STOMP
WHEN ARE
THEY LEAVING?

ARE YOU INSANE?


DID YOU TELL ME TO BRING MY ASSISTANT HERE FOR THIS RIDICULOUS SCHEME?
WHAT'S GOING ON...?
RIDICULOUS SCHEME? I THINK IT'S AN INCREDIBLY LOGICAL PLAN!

THEY'RE BOTH UNMARRIED AND OF SIMILAR AGE.
MY SCUMBAG ASSISTANT HAS LOADS OF MONEY AND YOUR ASSISTANT HAS INCOMPARABLE HONOR!
IT'S A WIN-WIN FOR THEM TOO.


MIRI, THAT'S RIDICULOUS!
YEAH!
YOU'RE NOT MAKING ANY SENSE.

THE NUMBERS DON'T MATCH.
YOU CAN'T MARRY TWO GUYS AND ONE GIRL...

WHAT?!

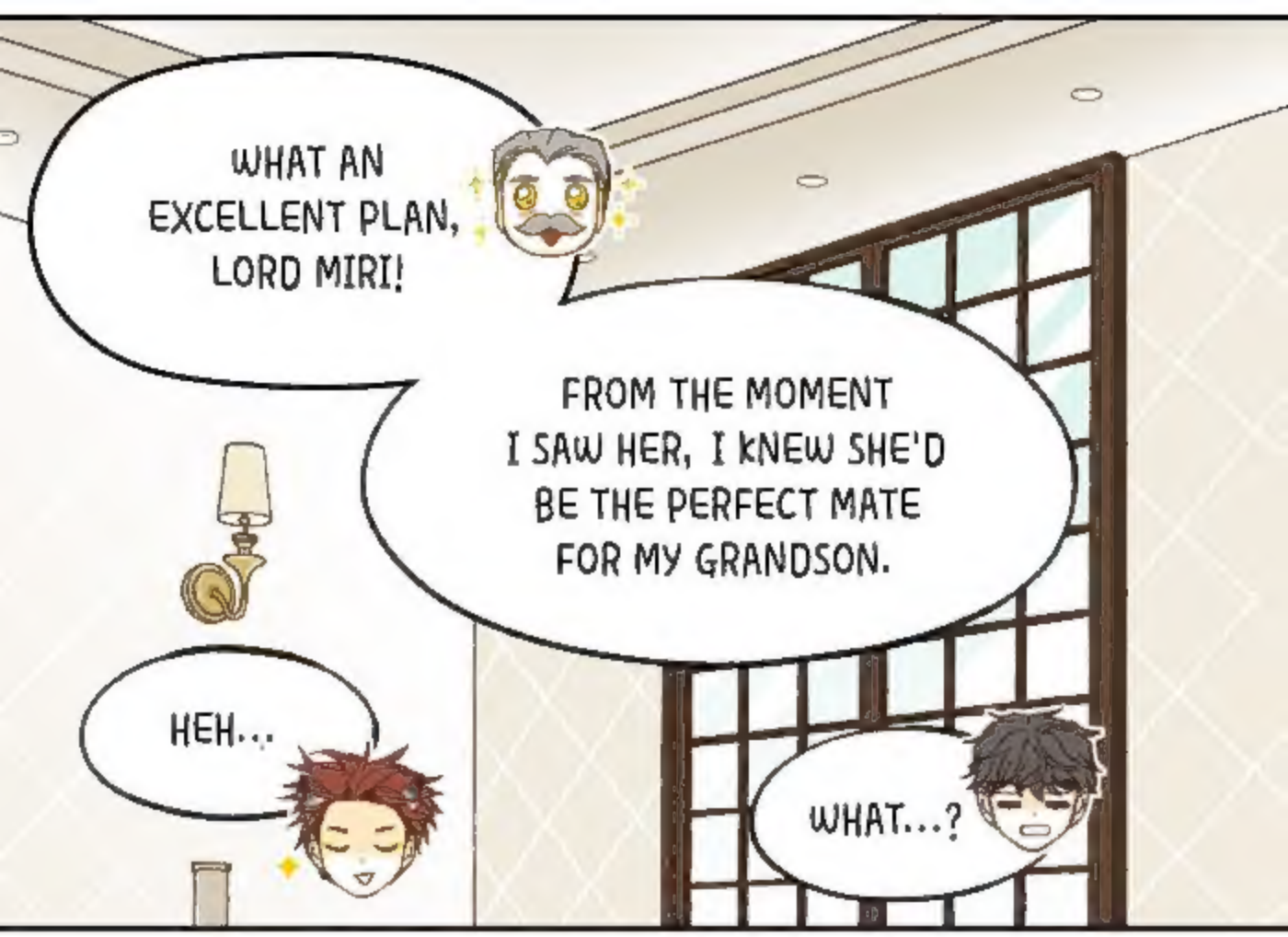
...!
LET ME MAKE MYSELF CLEAR.
I WON'T ALLOW YOUNG TO BE A KEPT MAN, ALRIGHT?
WHAT THE-- BARI, JUST GIVE US A MOMENT.

YEAH,
YOU STAY OUT
OF IT.

HEY!

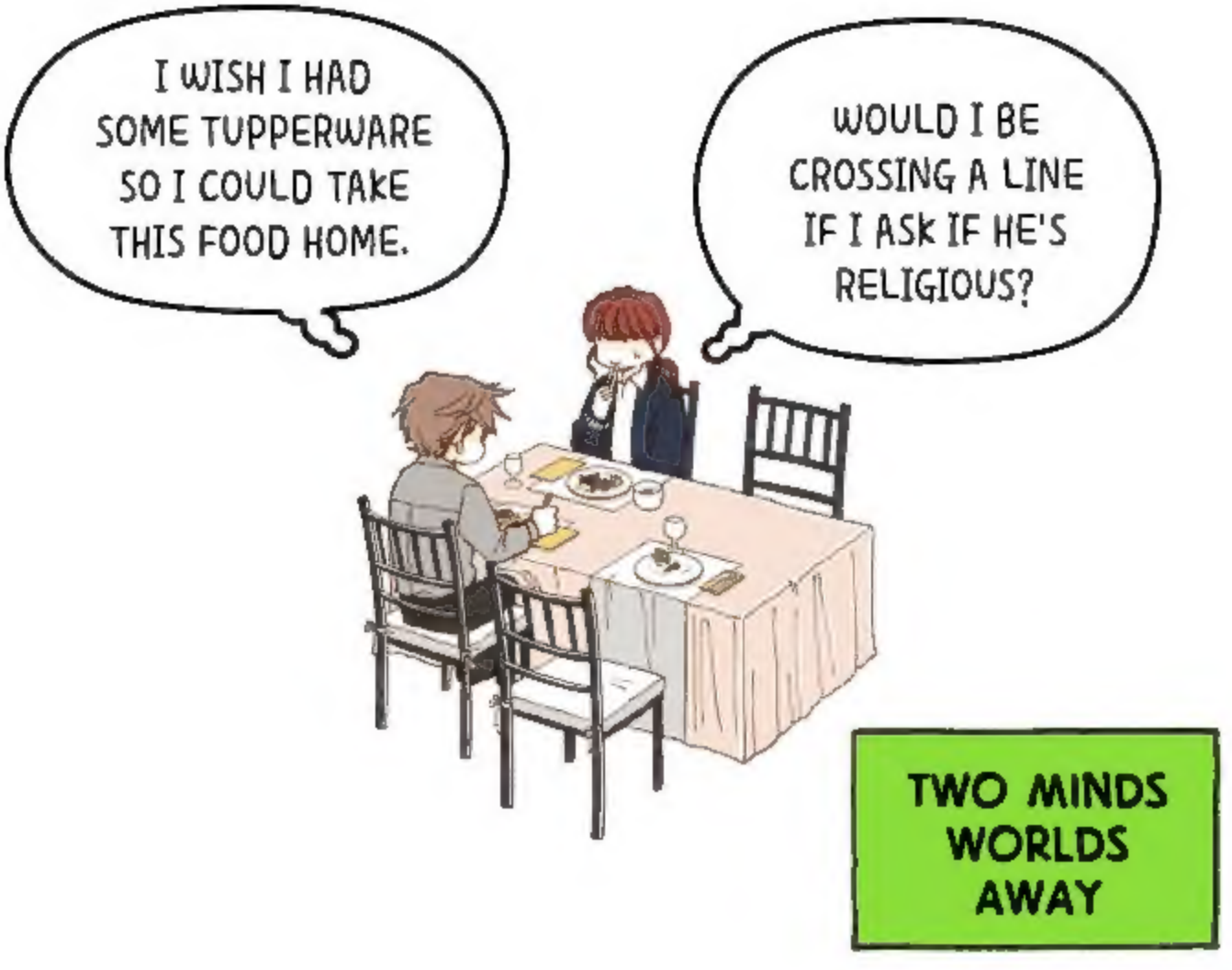
YOU LITTLE SNAKE BASTARDS! I WAS WONDERING WHAT YOU GUYS WERE UP TO!
...YOU WANT US TO DO WHAT?

I CAN'T BELIEVE WHAT I'M HEARING...
I'M NOT GETTING MARRIED FOR YOUR SAKE! HELL NO!
PERSONALLY...
...I STRONGLY SUPPORT THE IDEA!


WHAT AN EXCELLENT PLAN, LORD MIRI!
FROM THE MOMENT I SAW HER, I KNEW SHE'D BE THE PERFECT MATE FOR MY GRANDSON.
HEH...
WHAT...?

WITH THEIR MARRIAGE SERVING AS A CONTRACT...
...
...WE WON'T NEED TO WORRY ABOUT ONE OF US BREAKING THE OATH.
ABSOLUTELY!

ENOUGH!
CAW CAW


I WISH I HAD SOME TUPPERWARE SO I COULD TAKE THIS FOOD HOME.
WOULD I BE CROSSING A LINE IF I ASK IF HE'S RELIGIOUS?
TWO MINDS WORLDS AWAY